

REMARKS

This is a Request for Continued Prosecution filed in response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2006. In this Office Action, claims 7 and 10 were objected to as containing insufficient antecedent basis for certain limitations. The subject matter of claim 7 has been incorporated into claim 8 written in independent form. It is submitted that the limitation “first and second connection edges” does not need antecedent basis because the language of claim 7 defines such first and second connection edges in the first instance.

Claim 11 was objected to as reciting the limitation of a combination of an anchor in the preamble. This claim has been amended to overcome this objection.

In the Office Action of April 20, 2006, claims 8 and 14 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. This has been done pursuant to the above amendments. Accordingly, rewritten independent claims 8 and 14 and dependent claim 10 are now considered in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action of April 20, 2006, the remaining claims were rejected as unpatentable in view of various prior art. Amendments have been made via the above Preliminary Amendment to these claims to clearly distinguish such claims from the prior art relied upon by the Examiner. Specifically, none of the prior art shows an anchor with an embedment portion integrally joined with the connection portion and first and second laterally spaced seat members integrally joined with the embedment portion along respective first and second bend lines. Further, none of the prior art shows the bend lines as laterally extending and collinear.

In Flogaus ‘826, to the extent it shows seat members, they are not integrally joined to the embedment portion (or the connection portion), are not laterally spaced, and are not joined along collinear bend lines. In Leek ‘943, the seat members are joined to the connection portion rather than the embedment portion. To the extent the lower portions of the anchoring legs 5 and 6 are considered to be part of the embedment portion, they are not integrally connected to the connection portion.

Allowance of all claims is respectfully requested.

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